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Minutes of the House Standing Committee  
on  
Military and Veteran Affairs

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Tuesday, May 30, 2017                      12:00 Noon                      Room 327 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs was called to order by Representative Jason Wentworth, Chair.

The Clerk called the roll; members present were **Representatives Wentworth, Graves, Hughes, Barrett, Glenn, Albert, Hoitenga, Johnson, Sabo, Brinks, Byrd, Elder and Jones. (13/13)**  
The Clerk announced that a quorum was present.

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The Chair laid before the committee the minutes of May 9, 2017, as printed.

**Representative Barrett moved to adopt the minutes of May 9, 2017, as printed.**  
**There being no objection the motion prevailed by unanimous consent of the members present; the minutes were adopted as printed.**

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The Chair laid before the committee House Bill 4474.

**HB 4474 (Glenn)**                      Military affairs; facilities; possession of concealed firearms on military premises; allow.

On May 9, 2017, the committee adopted the substitute (H-1) for the bill.

**Representative Barrett offered and explained the following amendment to the substitute (H-1):**

1. Amend page 1, following line 9, by inserting:  
**"(3) THE ADJUTANT GENERAL SHALL NOT PROMULGATE RULES UNDULY BURDENING ON THE ABILITY OF MILITARY PERSONNEL TO POSSESS A CONCEALED WEAPON AS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (1)."**

Questions followed from a committee member.

**Representative Barrett Moved to adopt the amendment to House Bill 4474 (H-1).**

**The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:**

**Yeas: Representatives Wentworth, Graves, Hughes, Barrett, Glenn, Albert, Hoitenga, Johnson, Sabo, Brinks, Byrd, Elder, and Jones, (13/13)**

**Nays: None. (0/13)**

The amendment was adopted.

The following individuals submitted a testimony card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Steven A. Kozera, Legislative Liaison for the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs;

Marilyn Britten, Chairman of the Legislative Committee for the American Legion of Michigan;

Lino B. Pretto, Michigan Department Legislative Officer for the Military Order of the Purple Heart; and

Jack G. Devine, Legislative Director for the Vietnam Veterans of America Michigan State Council.

**Representative Barrett moved to report House Bill 4474 with the recommendation, as amended, and that the substitute (H-2) be adopted and that the bill then pass.**

**The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:**

**Yeas: Representatives Wentworth, Graves, Hughes, Barrett, Glenn, Albert, Hoitenga, Jones, Sabo, Brinks, Byrd, Elder, and Jones, (13/13)**

**Nays: None. (0/13)**

The bill and the substitute were referred to the order of Second Reading of Bills.

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The Chair laid before the committee Senate Bill 248.

**SB 248 (Warren)** Veterans; other; World War I centennial commission; create.

Mary Hannaford, Legislative Assistant to Senator Warren, explained the bill and the (H-2) substitute to the bill. Questions followed.

Representative Barrett offered the substitute (H-2) for Senate Bill 248.

**Representative Jones moved to adopt the substitute (H-2) for Senate Bill-248.**

**The motion prevailed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members appointed to and serving on the committee, voting as follows:**

**Yeas: Representatives Wentworth, Graves, Hughes, Barrett, Glenn, Albert, Hoitenga, Johnson, Sabo, Brinks, Byrd, Elder, and Jones, (13/13)**

**Nays: None. (0/13)**

The substitute was adopted

The following individuals submitted a testimony card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Steven A. Kozera, Legislative Liaison for the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs;

Marilyn Britten, Chairman of the Legislative Committee for the American Legion of Michigan;

Mark A. Sutton, Public Relations Director for the American Legion Department of Michigan and Presiding Officer of the Commanders Group of Michigan

Lino B. Pretto, Michigan Department Legislative Officer for the Military Order of the Purple Heart; and

Jack G. Devine, Legislative Director for the Vietnam Veterans of America Michigan State Council.

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There being no other business before the committee; **Representative Jones moved to adjourn the meeting.**

The motion prevailed, the time being 12:16 p.m.

The Chair declared the Committee adjourned.

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Jason Wentworth, Chair

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Joy Brewer, Committee Clerk

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Date approved by the committee